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I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD

When Gandhi said his famous quote, "I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians," why was that? Why was someone like Einstein taken back with the personality of Jesus? It is because he was a leader like no other.

Jesus' declaration "I am the good shepherd" in John 10 is the perfect example of this. The story highlights Jesus mission as one who protects and leads his followers and in the end, lays down his life for them.

It is this selfless leadership that enthalls even opponents of Christianity with the person of Jesus. Einstein also lamented that he wished Jesus hadn't existed because he had seen so many people use the name of Jesus to abuse power. We see this in our world too. But, Jesus warned against the bad shepherds who wanted to lead God's people into armed conflict and doom, and the hired hands who simply abandon their sheep when trouble hits.

When looking for qualities in a leader, we are wise to return to the qualities of Jesus. People will fail, people may lead us astray, but Jesus is always the good shepherd, he is the sacrificial leader who leads his people into eternal life through his sacrifice.

Lachlan Davis
Assistant Minister

WELCOME!

Here for the first time? We're glad you came! We trust you'll get to know us and our Lord Jesus better.

Please stay around after the service and grab a cup of tea or coffee. If you wish, you may like to meet and chat with the service leader or the speaker. We'd love to get to know you!

*Bishop Peter Tasker
Acting Rector*



PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER FOR TODAY Eternal Father, who declared Jesus our Lord to be your beloved Son at his Baptism: grant that we and all who have become his members through baptism in your Spirit may rejoice to be your children and the servants of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

PREGNANT MUMS: **Rebekka Lacey**

IN HOSPITAL *Wollongong Hosp:* **Brian Bullen** (Noeline's husband 8am) had another stroke.

Annette Holmes ongoing tests and treatment.

VILLAGES & NURSING HOMES: **Kath Hobbs, Ella Harvey, Jean Dooley, Lorna Blisset-Walker, Helen Stephens, Glenys Noort and Barbara Bannister.**

CAFÉ CHURCH & OP SHOP

8AM / 2PM SERVICE: **Lyn Ryan** to diagnosed with Coeliac Disease, also had a fall, broken toe, pulled ligaments and bruised ribs. **Chris Gall** more treatment on eye. **Brian Bullen** home from hospital, please continue to pray for Brian and Noeline

9.30AM SERVICE: **Ann Scandritt** and **Robin Braddock. Mary Johnston's husband, Michael** recovering blood every fortnight. **Ron** (Pat McKay's friend) cancer undergoing treatment. **Naomi Kerlin**, has had a core biopsy, pray for good results. **Bruce Massey** been in hospital, very unwell, too dangerous to operate, coming home this week. **Michael Hands (Deb Pritchard's brother)** has been diagnosed with cancer, has biopsy, pray for good results.

10AM SERVICE: **Margaret and Tom McCauley** and **Elizabeth Langridge** recovering at home. **Trevor Pearce's dad, Marlene Campbell's husband (Gary), Ronnie Van Kempen, Janelle Southwell (Warren's sister-in-law)** all ongoing. **Bruce Jones, Andy Houghton. Michael Eames** ongoing. **Kaye Franks & Susan Starky's cousin Josh Day** recovering well from lung transplant, but long road to recovery.

7PM SERVICE: **Dan Moran, Bill Harvey, Jamie Mackenzie** ongoing. **Roman** (5 month old son of **Shaina-lea Johnson**) awaiting test results and further test in to be completed in the new year.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

MON JAN 13 ♦ THE CAFÉ 9:30am—2:30pm
♦ FRONT OFFICE RECEPTION CLOSED

TUE JAN 14 ♦ THE CAFÉ 9:30am—2:30pm

WED JAN 15 ♦ THE CAFÉ 9:30am—2:30pm

THU JAN 16 ♦ THE CAFÉ 9:30am—2:30pm

FRI JAN 17 ♦ THE CAFÉ 9:30am—2:30pm

SAT JAN 18

SUN JAN 19 SERVICES: 8am, 9.30am, 10am, 5pm & 7pm
GROWTH GROUP LEADERS LUNCH 12:30pm - 1:30pm

MISSION PRAYER FOCUS AFES - RICHARD CHIN

We're now in transition as we work towards the move to Canberra in 2020. As we navigate the grief of leaving the ministry at Wollongong University, our local church, and our family home of 25 years, we also look forward to the terrific opportunities of serving with the wonderful student leadership of the AFES group at ANU. Jeanette will be serving with them full time and I will serve with them for a day per week as part of my national role from Canberra.

Please thank God for...

- thousands hearing the gospel in recent days through the various NTE campus missions with local churches;
- a taste of heaven with students at our National Training Event being transformed by the gospel;
- a wonderful 25 years of life and ministry in Wollongong;
- Family walking closely with Jesus.

Please ask God to...

- save thousands through the follow up of local churches including the single mother in Leppington who asked how to become a Christian;
- transform the lives of all the students at NTE in the likeness of Jesus;
- help us grieve well as we leave Wollongong;
- enable us to serve faithfully and fruitfully in (and from) Canberra;
- keep weaning our family off this creation to prepare us for the New Creation for the glory of Jesus.



SAFE MINISTRY

Dapto Anglican Church is committed to Safe Ministry Practices. If you have a question or concern, we are here to help. Please contact:

- Julie Houghton, Parish Safe Ministry Representative, by confidential email safeministry@daptoanglican.org.au or through our church office on 42611001
- Anglican Abuse Report line on 1800 774945

THANKYOU

We can achieve so much when we work together. Here is what we were able to achieve to support RFS and evacuees affected by the fires:

- 80 volunteers came to help pack and provide all that was needed.
- Over 400 "Grab Bags" were given to the very thankful RFS staff.
- 99 boxes of non-perishable food and toiletries were carefully sorted and labelled for evacuees.
- Coles and Woolworths Dapto contributed food and toiletries, alongside our church family.
- \$750 raised for Anglican Aid Bushfire Appeal.

RESTOCKING ANGLICARE'S PANTRY

Condiments; Peanut Butter, Jam, Vegemite etc, Tinned tuna/salmon, Pasta/Noodles, Pasta.

Drop them into your service's Anglicare basket on Sunday.
Thank you.



The Cafe

THIS WEEK THE CAFÉ REOPENS

MON-FRI 9:30AM - 2:30PM

Continuing this year - Seniors Monday 10% off



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WEDNESDAY 22ND - FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY
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John 10:1-21

¹“Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger’s voice.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

⁷Therefore Jesus said again, “Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. ⁸All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. ⁹I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹²The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. ¹³The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

¹⁴“I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— ¹⁵just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. ¹⁷The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. ¹⁸No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father.”

¹⁹The Jews who heard these words were again divided. ²⁰Many of them said, “He is demon-possessed and raving mad. Why listen to him?”

²¹But others said, “These are not the sayings of a man possessed by a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?”

This is the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

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PSALM 31:21-24

²¹Praise be to the LORD,
for he showed me the wonders of his love
when I was in a city under siege.

²²In my alarm I said,
“I am cut off from your sight!”
Yet you heard my cry for mercy
when I called to you for help.

²³Love the LORD, all his faithful people!
The LORD preserves those who are true to him,
but the proud he pays back in full.

²⁴Be strong and take heart,
all you who hope in the LORD.